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And Descendants

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George Heriot of South Carolina
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Roger Heriot of South Carolina
And Descendants

Also

George Heriot, Deputy Postmaster General
of Canada

Also

General Frederick George Heriot
of Canada

Notes On
Heriot Family of Trabourn and Castlemains,
Dirleton (Haddington)

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Heriot Family of Scotland, Canada and the United States

The following material concerning the Heriots has been collected and arranged rather hurriedly, and undoubtedly there are some errors. However, shall have to make the most of it, as I am expecting to go overseas rather soon.

My kinsman, John C. S. Heriot, Esq., of 628 Union Avenue, Montreal, Canada, has been collecting material on the Heriots for some years, and recently has been paying special attention to the branches of the family in England and Scotland. It has been our intention to combine it all in book form. Unfortunately, this cannot now be done. As a matter of fact the work is far from complete.

Mr. Heriot has written an interesting sketch of his great, great uncle, George Heriot, Deputy Postmaster General of Canada, also another very interesting article concerning another great, great uncle, General Frederick Geo. Heriot, of Canada. The latter was brother to Major Heriot, who married John Heriot, Sheriff-Clerk of Haddington, Scotland. Neither of these articles are included in this compilation. They were published in the Magazine of the Canadian Numismatic Society. Mr. Heriot, also in 1905, registered the Heriot arms in Scotland, a little detail that should have been attended to back in the year of our Lord, 1676. See Armory and Lineages of Canada.

Miss Janet Heriot of 101 Lucy Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, perhaps knows more about the South Carolina family than any other single member. She very kindly placed all of her material at my disposal.

Miss Sallie Rembert, of 109 North Washington Street, Sumter, South Carolina, possesses the most valuable collection of letters, manuscripts, documents, etc., concerning Colonel Robert Heriot, and the Heriots generally. I have been able to secure copies of only a few of these, owing to circumstances.

Mrs. William Ross Robertson, (Margaret Hunt) of Charlotte, North Carolina, is well informed on the George Heriot family, and furnished me with the data covering George Washington Heriot and descendants. Her mother, Mrs. Charles Washington Hunt, of Brevard, North Carolina, has the family Bible of George Washington Heriot, containing family record, copy of which is shown herein.

Mrs. George Hamilton Holmes of Tryon, North Carolina, possesses the family Bible of George Heriot, Sheriff-Clerk of Haddington, Scotland, containing records of births, deaths, etc., shown herein. The Bible was published in Edinburgh, 1729. Unfortunately, the family Bible of George Heriot of South Carolina, has not come to light.

Data on the Roger Heriot family is very incomplete, as will be seen. Mr. Ernest C. Dodge, a lawyer of St. Louis, Missouri, in all probability could furnish much of the desired information, but I have not been able to go into the question with him. ("Memoir of Adiel Sherwood D. D. By his Daughter Ernest C. Dodge, St. Louis, His Grandson")

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The Hon. Heriot Clarkson, of Charlotte, North Carolina, has quite a collection of Heriot material, and has given me copies of two very interesting Robert Heriot letters.

There has come down into my own family several pieces of old Heriot silver, bearing the Heriot Arms. Also the prayer book of George Heriot, published in 1752, and I have the pocket silver fruit knife of my great grand mother, Sophia Heriot Egleston.

Major Benjamin Daniel Heriot, son of George Heriot, and Major Joseph Woodruff, U. S. Army, married sisters, named Harris, daughters of Dr. Tucker Harris, of Charleston. Then my grandfather's sister, Christiana Woodruff, married her first cousin, Benjamin George Heriot, son of Major Benj. Daniel Heriot. My grandfather Dr. Julian Woodruff married Maria Egleston, daughter of Sophia Heriot, sister of Maj. Benj. Daniel Heriot. Another one of the above Harris sisters married William Clarkson and their son, Thomas Boston Clarkson, who was my grandfather Woodruff's first cousin, married Sarah Caroline Heriot, daughter of Robert Heriot, Jr., who married his second cousin Maria Eliza Heriot, the sister of Maj. Benj. Daniel and Sophia Heriot.

Doesn't it make your head whirl, but it is a fact. Now do not think that I am an old man, for I am not. Look me up in the book and see.

Caldwell Woodruff.
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Camp McClellan, Alabama, 26 May 1918.

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HERIOTS

of Haddington, Scotland, South Carolina and Canada

"According to Longmuir's edition of Jameson's Scottish dictionary, the word 'heriot' is derived from the Anglo-Saxon and signified the tribute given to the lord of the manor for his better preparation for war; but came at length to denote the best beast, of whatever kind, which a tenant died possessed of, due to his superior after death. Professor Innes, in his work entitled 'Concerning some Scottish Surnames', classes the surname 'Heriot' among those derived from places or lands. There is a parish and a river in it, both of the name of 'Heriot' about twenty miles southeast of Edinburgh; also a stream of the same name in the parish of Cockburnspath, Berwickshire. The first notice believed to have been yet found of the name used as surname is that of William de Heryt who was witness to a charter granted by King William the Lyon (of Scotland) prior to 1214."

"The Scottish historian, George Buchanan (1506-82), whose mother was Agnes Heriot, a daughter of the house of Trabroun, says that William Heriot and another aided the escape of Robert, High Steward of Scotland, from Rothesay, whither he had fled from the English, after the battle of Halidon Hill (1333). The escape of the Steward, afterward Robert II, proved to be one of the most important events in Scottish history."

"By a charter from Archibald, Earl of Douglas, in 1423, confirmed by James I, of Scotland, the lands of Trabroun, some 400 acres in East Lothian (Haddington) were granted for military service, to John Heriot, who is described as "Squire and son to his confederate, James Heriot of Niddry Marischal." The estates were held in the family until the death of the last direct male heir in 1620."

"At the marriage of Elizabeth, daughter of James Heriot of Trabroun, to Sir Thomas Hamilton, of Priestfield (their son became 1st Earl of Haddington), George Heriot, a cadet of Trabroun, was a witness. He was a tenant farmer in Long Niddrie. From this George Heriot we are able to directly trace our particular branch of the Heriots."

HERIOTS

of Haddington, Scotland, South Carolina and Canada

- I. GEORGE HERIOT, Cadet Of Trabroun, tenant farmer in Longniddry, Haddington, (East Lothian) Scotland, in 1549, Born _____ died after 1570.

- II. His son:
 GEORGE HERIOT, tenant in Longniddry
 Born _____ Died _____ 1625

 His son:

- III. ROBERT HERIOT, tenant of Longniddry,
 Born _____ Died after 1667

 His Second son:

- IV. GEORGE HERIOT, tenant of Castlemains, Dirleton, Haddington, Chamberlain to Sir John Nisbet.
 Born _____ 1636 Died _____ 1698
 Married _____ Ferguson.
 His tomb may be seen at Dirleton, Scotland.

 His eldest son was:

- V. JOHN HERIOT, tenant of Castlemains,
 Born _____ 1664 Died _____ 1725
 Married _____ 1688
 Jane Sinclair, niece of Robert Sinclair, Minister of Dirleton, who was proprietor of Redhouse with the Manor Plance and the east out-field of Longniddry, with the tiends.

NOTE: It is from this JOHN HERIOT, that the Heriots of Canada and South Carolina are descended, and in numbering the descendants, we shall go back to him, by prefixing 'V'. For instance, the first child of JOHN is 'V-1'. Likewise, 'V-1-4' is the 4th child of the list child of JOHN.

HERIOTS

of Haddington, Scotland, South Carolina and Canada

Children of JOHN, tenant of Castlemains, and Jane (Sinclair) HERIOT.

V-1 George, Sheriff-Clerk of Haddington,

Born _____ 1688, Died _____ 18 January 1758

Married 6th November 1731

Mary Tannoch

Born _____, Died _____ 29 December 1769

(with issue)

V-2 Robert,

Born _____, Died _____ in infancy

V-3 John, Solicitor in Edinburgh

Born _____ 1698, Died _____ 1774

Married _____

Mrs. Johnston

(without issue)

V-4 James, tenant of Castlemains

Born _____ 1700, Died _____ 1762

Married _____ 1735

Janet Horsburgh

Born _____, Died _____

(with issue)

HERIOTS

of Haddington, Scotland, South Carolina and Canada

Children of GEORGE and Mary (Tannoch) HERIOT:

- V-1-1 Unnamed infant female
Born 25 August 1732, dying at birth.
- V-1-2 John, Sheriff-Clerk of Haddington
Born 1st May 1734, 6:00 A.M., Haddington
Died _____
Married, 2nd January 1758
Marjory Heriot (Dau. of John Heriot, tenant of Lady Kirk and
Shiels, Berwickshire)
Born 13 January 1732, died _____
With issue
- V-1-3 Jean
Born Sunday, 4th January 1736, 9:00 P.M.
Died 22 December 1762. Unmarried.
- V-1-4 Mary
Born 25 April 1738, Tuesday 12:30 A.M.
Died ____ August 1768. Unmarried.
- V-1-5 Janet
Born Wed. 8 in ye Morn, 4 June 1740
Died _____ 1740
- V-1-6 George
Born Wed. Ye 8th July, 1741.
Died _____ 1742, of the Pox
- V-1-7 Margaret
Born 1 O'clock A.M. 4, July 1743
Died ____ May, 1768. Unmarried.
- V-1-8 George, Emigrated South Carolina 1765, Merchant-Planter
Born Sat. 8th April, 1746, Haddington, Scotland
Died 11th November 1807, Georgetown, S. C.
Married 24 January 1775, Charleston, S. C.
Sarah Harriett (Dau. of Capt. Thomas Tucker)
Born _____ 1754, Died 3rd June 1820
With issue, see George of S. C. Family, also Tucker family.
- V-1-9 Janet
Born 9:00 A.M. 30th May 1748, Died _____
- V-1-10 William
Born 15 April, Monday, 1751, Died _____
- V-1-11 Iarmes (?) (6th Daughter) Born 18 July 1753

NOTE: From original Bible record, in possession Mrs. Dr. Hunt, Brevard, also
Mrs. William R. Robertson, Charlotte, N. C.

WILL OF JAMES HERIOT, TENANT IN THE CASTLEMAINS OF DIRLETON

I, James Heriot, Tenant in the Castlemains of Dirleton, being resolved to make a settlement of my affairs to take effect in the event of my death, I do hereby nominate and appoint Janet Horsburgh, my spouse, my sole executrix and intromitter, with my whole good and estate for the behalf of my children, with the express advice and consent of Dr. William Horsburgh, physician, her brother, Mr. William Wilson, writer to the Signet, Edinburgh, and William Hog, Jr., Merchant there, John Cunningham, Brewer at the back of Cannongate, Francis Russell, Clerk to the Collector of Customs at Leith, and Robert Heriot, my eldest lawful son, Merchant in Carolina, or any three of them as administrators for my children. And I hereby assign and dispose to my children, Janet Heriot, my only daughter, now spouse to John Cunningham, Brewer in the Cannongate, Robert, John, James and William Heriot, my four sons, my whole means and estate, equally amongst them conform to a signed Inventory under my hand of this date, with all the rents due and resting in the respective sums in the said Inventory or that may due and resting in all time coming. With full power to my said Spouse, Janet Horsburgh to call for uplift, pursue and discharge both principal and interest and to lend out the said sums again on good security as she with advice foresaid shall see proper during the minority of any of my children. Also I hereby dispose to my said children my whole stocking on the farm Castlemains, Cattle, Horse, Kolt, sheep and hail other parts whatsoever, with a Tack of the farm granted to me by William Nisbet of Dirleton, Esq., and I hereby empower Janet Horsburgh my said Spouse with advice foresaid to sell and assign the said Tack to the best advantage with Mr. Nisbet's allowance and permission and to turn the whole stocking with the profit on the Tack into money to be lent out on good security by her with consent foresaid of my administrator to be divided by her equally amongst my said children on their attaining the years of majority with provisions after-mentioned, and as the said Janet Heriot my only daughter now spouse of John Cunningham, Brewer in Edinburgh has by her contract of marriage, got the sum of £ 200 Sterling, already and my said son Robert Heriot has got on his going abroad the sum of £ 100 Sterling, the said Janet and Robert are to accept of these sums as part of their proportional part of my effect allenary. Which assignation to them I hereby burden with the payment of my funeral charges and with the payment of all my just and lawful debts. Also I expressly burden all my said subjects as assigned, with life-rent of the sum of £ 50 Sterling, yearly to the said Janet Horsburgh, my dearly beloved spouse, to be paid out of the best and the readiest of my said subjects at the yearly terms of Whitsunday and Martinmass, beginning the first payment the first term after my decease, which by the acceptance hereof they become bound and obliged to. Also I hereby assign and dispose to my said Spouse my whole household furniture as presently possessed by me, silver plate, linen, blankets, beds, chairs, drawers and generally every part of furniture, with full power to her to use and dispose of the same in her own lifetime at her pleasure and as she shall see proper and to give what share and part thereof to any of my said children who shall prove most dutiful and affectionate to her with the express provision she shall continue a widow and live with and take care of my said children as to their situation and other duties incumbent on a mother. But in case she shall marry a second husband or marry again she is hereby restricted to her life rent provision in her Contract of marriage dated the 29th day of _____, 1735 years. And in case of any of my said children shall die before they attain to the

years of majority or marriage in that event, their share shall accrue to the survivors equally, dispensing with the generality hereof, admitting the same to be as valid as if every particular of my said means and estate generally aforesaid assigned were specifically expressed reserving to myself the property and life rent of the said subjects, also power to myself any time of my life to other or innovate these presents, but if the same shall not be altered or revoked by a writing under my hand, then I declare these presents to be good and valid for all the purposes foresaid, notwithstanding of the not delivery of the same with the not delivery I hereby dispense these presents being found by (bedside) me at the time of my death.

Consenting to the registration hereof in the books of Council and session. or other competent, therein to remain for preservation. I constitute Mr. David Rae, advocate, my procurator.

In witness whereof I both write and subscribe these presents, consisting of this and the two preceding pages of stamped paper at Castlemains of Dirleton the 29th day of April, 1760 years.

(Signed) James. Heriot.

I the above designed James Heriot, having now taken the within John Heriot my second son into family with me to assist in my business, therefore I hereby assign and dispose the Tack of my farm yet to run with the burdens after-mentioned. Also I hereby assign and dispose to my said son in the event of my death the whole stocking on the farm at the time of my death as expressly as if every particular was mentioned, he being hereby burdened with his proportion of my just and lawful debts and funeral charges, also with the burden of £ 10 Sterling to be paid by him to the within designed Janet Horsburgh whensoever she pleases to leave the family or to live by herself or any other way, he accepting of the Tack and Stocking with the burden aftermentioned in full of his share and proportion of my effects and means. My said spouse by this Codicil being hereby appointed my sole Executor to my will, also Executrix and Administrator for my two youngest sons, the within mentioned James and William during their minority, with the advice of the said John Cunningham and William Hog, and the Rev. Hugh Bannatyne, Minister of the Gospel of Dirleton, and as my said son Robert Heriot has now got £ 200 Sterling which he must allow as part of his share of my effects and proportion of my legitim, my said spouse being to enter to her jointure of the within mentioned sum of £ 50 Sterling the last term preceding my death and to the £ 10 Sterling payable by my said son John Heriot in the event foresaid the first term after my death, with full power to my said spouse with consent foresaid to uplift and call for all foresaid and uplift and call for all the (aforesaid) rents and discharge the same on the Bonds granted by the deceased John Hay of Lawfield to me, One Bond for the sum of £ 200 dated the 26th May 1744 years, another Bond by the said John Hay to me for £ 200 dated the 6th day of August 1752, also another by the said John Hay to me for the sum of £ 600 dated the 18th day of November 1756 years and when my said spouse with advice foresaid shall think proper to lift the whole or any part of the principal sums in the said Bonds, she is hereby fully empowered to do the same and discharge them accordingly the sums so uplifted to be lent out on good security for behoof of my said children, reserving the liferent use thereof to herself.

In witness whereof I have written and subscribed this Codicil to my Will

and Testament to have the same force and effect as if inserted in the Body of the Will at Dirleton the 2nd day of April 1762 years, consisting of this and part of the preceding page.

(Signed) Ja. Heriot.

With two marginal words on the other page.

(Signed) Ja. Heriot.

Recorded 6th January 1763
In the Register House, Edinburgh.

I, Janet Horsburgh, widow of the deceased James Heriot, Tenant in the Castlemains of Dirleton, for the love, favor and affection I have and bear to my children afternamed, do by these presents give, grant, assign and dispose to and in favor of my children the several subjects and articles after specified conform to the division thereof underwritten, viz:

To James and William Heriot, my two youngest sons, and failing any one of them, by decease, to the survivor all and sundry debts, sums of money, life rent, annuities and intakes thereof that are presently addebted and owing to me and which shall be addebted and owing to me at the time of my decease, by whatsoever person or persons and by whatsoever manner of way.

Item, to John Heriot, my second son, the whole household furniture which belonged to my deceased husband to which I have right by his testament and now belonging to me or which shall belong to me at the time of my decease, except my silver plate, with the burdē always of his paying my whole debts and funeral expenses.

Item, to the said John Heriot, half a dozen old-fashioned silver table-spoons, one silver dividing spoon, eleven silver teaspoons and one silver tea tongs.

Item, to the said James Heriot, one half dozen silver tablespoons and one Silver jug.

Item, to the said William Heriot, five silver tablespoons, one silver lunch spoon and one pair silver salts.

Item, to Janet Heriot, my daughter, spouse to John Cunningham, Brewer in Glasgow, one silver salver, the just and equal half of my body clothes, one hair ring with diamonds, on each side, and plain gold ring and a pair of ear rings.

Item, to Margaret Russell, spouse to the said John Heriot, the other just and equal half of my body clothes, my best diamond ring and hair ring, Surrogating and substituting my said children respectively in my place of the premises, with full power to them immediately after my decease to intomit with, uplift and receive the subjects and articles respectively disposed to them, And I hereby nominate and appoint the said James and William Heriot, and failing any one of them, by decease, the survivor, to be my sole executor, with and under the burden of the division of my effects in manner foresaid. With full power to them to give inventory and obtain my said effects and debts confirmed and generally and other thing needful thereanent to do use and exercise, which my executor nominate hath done or may do by the laws of this Kingdom. Reserving always to me not only my liferent right and use of the premises, but also full power and liberty to me, at any time by a writing under my hand to burden alter and innovate and change this present disposition in whole or in part. And in case the present shall remain unaltered at the time of my decease, I hereby declare the same, though lying in my custody or in the custody of any other person undelivered at the time of my decease to be also valid and effectual as if the same had been a delivered evident at the date hereof, I hereby renounce all action competent to my heirs on the head of not delivering of these present. And for the more security I consent to the registration hereof in the Books of Council and Session Burgh, Court Books of Edinburgh or others

competent therein to remain for preservation and constitute -----
 my procurators for that purpose. In witness whereof I have subscribed these
 presents consisting of this and the two preceding pages wrote upon stamped
 paper by Archibald Wilson son of William Wilson, of Soon-hope, Writer, in
 Edinburgh at Cannongate, the twenty-second of July, One thousand, seven
 hundred and sixty-five years, before these witnesses, the said William Wilson
 and the said Archibald Wilson, writer, hereof.

(Signed) Janet Horsburgh.

(Signed) William Wilson, Witness

(Signed) Archibald Wilson, Witness.

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CODICIL

I, Janet Horsburgh, before designed, do hereby make the following alteration of the disposal of my means and Estate, viz: failing of both my sons James and William Heriot, I leave my whole goods and (sums of Money) to my granddaughter, Janet Heriot, and my grandson and daughter, James and Janet Cunningham, children of John Cunningham and my daughter Janet Heriot, and that equally betwixt them four, and failing any of them by death, his or her share to go to his or her brother or sister, always, however, with and under the burdens before expressed, and what other alterations I now make. And I hereby relieve my son John Heriot of my debts and funeral charges, -- Declaring that these shall come off the whole head of my security As also the one half of my body clothes, given as before mentioned to Margaret Russell, my son John Heriot's wife, and my two rings I now leave to my granddaughter, Janet Heriot, her daughter the same, in case of my death, while she is a minor, to be under the management of her parents. Item. I bequeath a chest of bed linen and table house linen, conform to an inventory thereof signed by me of this date to sons James & William Heriot, equally betwixt them, failing of any of them the whole survivor. And I adhere to the before written settlement in every clause thereof, unless in so far I have now altered the same. In Witness whereof I have wrote and signed these presents on the preceding and this page at Dirleton, this seventh day of January, seventeen hundred and sixty-nine years.

(Signed) Janet Horsburgh.

HORSBURGH

Robert Horsburgh, Father Of Janet Horsburgh, Wife Of James Heriot

Robert Horsburgh, A. M., studied and was graduated at the University of Edinburgh, 26 June 1690, called 24th June 1696, and ordained 24 September 1696, translated to Prestonpans in March 1702.

Prestonpans, Haddingtonshire

Robert Horsburgh, A. M., translated from Glenholme, called 11 November, 1701, and admitted 29 April, 1702, succeeding after a protracted vacancy, owing to the Laird of Prestongrange insisting on Mr. Andrew Reed, Minister of Kirkbean, being called, and the Laird of Preston approving and Mr. Ebenezer Veitch declining, to accept a call in the divided state of the parish. In 1710 Mr. Horsburgh complained of the church being unsafe owing to coal waste beneath and for some months the congregation was obliged to meet in a barn at Preston. Repairs were ordered and executed after long litigation. Mr. Horsburgh died 25th March, 1724, aged about 54, in 25th year of his ministry, "a man of sober judgment, and an able disputant and preacher." He married Janet Somervail, and from descended in the fourth degree the Rev. W ^B Cunningham, Minister of Prestonpans, who died about the year 1878. (Extracted from Reed. Dr. Scott's Faste (list) of Ministers.)

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In the parish of Inneslichten is found, as we conceive, the oldest family of territorial distinction in an unbroken line, in Peebleshire, namely, that of HORSBURGH.

The date of settlement of the family is lost in the mists of antiquity, the first of the race is believed to have been an Anglo-Saxon, designated Horse or Orse, who settling in lands in the north bank of the Tweed, there reared the castle or burgh which commemorated the family surname to his descendants. In old writs the name is variously spelled Horsbroc, Horsbroch, Horsbrecht, Horsbrock, Horsburgh and Horsbrugh, the next to the last now adopted by the family. The earliest record of the name occurs in the Chronicle of the Abbey of Melrose in which, between 1214 and 1249, Symon of Horsbroc appears as a witness. After this the name is introduced in various old charters thru several centuries. Yet it does not occur in the Ragman Roll, wither from some accidental circumstance, or because the lands of Horsburgh may have been held from a subject superior, is a matter of conjecture. It is at least known that certain Crown rents exigible from Horsburgh were gifted, in 1336-7 to James Douglas, to whom the actual possessor would logically stand in the relation of vassal. Whatever were the circumstances of the case Alexander Horsburgh of that ilk appears as unqualified proprietor holding from the crown in 1479, at which period the lands were divided into Over and Nether Horsburgh, and by those appellations they are respectively referred to in records. Over Horsburgh remains the name of the farm on which the original fortalice is situated.

On the Nether Horsburgh section there was built at a later date and of greater strength, a feudal tower still existing as a ruin. It is situated in a hollow on the margin of a mountain rivulet and (as represented in our

HORSBURGH (Continued)

engraving fig. 33) is of a very mossy character.

Year 1608 -- Ian, of the Privy Council, finding that an assurance subscribed by Alexander Horsburgh of that ilk on the one part and Mr. Archibald Douglas, parson of Peebleshire on the other part, is now expired and outrun, albeit, the variance and controversie betwixt thaeme is not removed or tane away, order now assurance to the same effect to forthwith mutually subscribe. On the 21st of the same month, Andrew, the son of Alexander Horsburgh of that ilk found keeping the above assurance, is ordered to appear before Council to underlie sie orderour as sall be prescryvit unto him. Andrew disobeys and on the sixth of February is denounced rebel. (From Chambers History of Peebleshire).

The Ragman Rolls the uncouth name of the Collection of those instruments (deeds) which the nobility and gentry of Scotland were constrained to subscribe allegiance to Edward I of England in 1296. The meaning of the word Ragman has given much trouble to etymologists, however it seems clear that in diplomatic language the word means a legal deed, executed under the seals of the parties.

(Abridged from "Knight's Cyclopaedia")

Letter of John Heriot, Sheriff--Clerk at Haddington.

Haddington, 2nd October, 1756

Dear Bob:-

I assure you I was very sorry that I had not the Pleasure of seeing you at Dirleton, and of taking my Farewell of you before you set out for Holland. I was firmly determined to have seen you on the Saturday after you left this place, agreeable to my promise, but the complaint which I had when you were here, daily increasing, I was under a necessity of confining myself to my Room for several weeks; and sometimes afterwards, I was seized with a violent Rheumatism, under which I have groaned these two months. I thank God, I am now in a fair way of getting free of it, the it has indeed carried the one half of me off in Dropsy and left only a languid Cohesion of skin and bone. In order to recruit my exhausted Corpus, I intend to go out to the Country in a few days, where by hard Exercise and good Eatin and Drinking, I hope to grow in a little time, as fat and strong as ever.

I expect you will admit my Indisposition as sufficient Excuse for not waiting upon you before you left your Native Country. I have been longing much to hear from you. You know you engaged to write to me upon your Arrival in Holland, but I imagine you have taken the Spleen my Friend, because I failed in paying my Respects to you; but now that I beg your most gracious Pardon for this Neglect, and assure you that it did not proceed from any want of Regard for you, but was occasioned by the Cause already mentioned, I hope the Reason of your silence will be removed. I heard from your Father, with Joy, the News of your safe Arrival.

I suppose you are still going on with the German Flute, and will certainly be in a short time an eminent Performer, by the assistance of a little practice and Application, which will agreeably fill up your Leisure Hours.

I expect you will not fail to write me under Cover of your Father, by the first Conveyance. I imagine you have frequent opportunities of seeing Willie Hogg, to whom offer by kind Respects. Tell him I did not expect he would have forgot his old Friend Patisonij Comes quite so soon, and if he pleases yet to write me, I shall be extremely glad to hear from him, notwithstanding his ungrateful Taciturnity.

My sister joins me in her kind Compliments to you,

I ever am
My Dear Bob
Your most affectionate Cousin
and obedient Servant
JOHN HERIOT

To Robert Heriot.
(Original letter in possession of Sallie Heriot Rembert,
109 N. Washington Street, Sumter, South Carolina.)

Dirleton, August 20, 1759.

My D. Bob:

I was surprised to hear from Mr. Moodie of your voyage to Jamaica & nothing of it from yourself till I got your letter Nov. 21, last several weeks after Mr. Moodie wrote me; you promised to write me on your arrival at Kingston & as often afterwards as you had opportunitys, likeways to write me Immediately on your return to Charn. none of all of which you have done. I shall be sorry if the common observation shall be verified by you likeways that you men going abroad in your way in a great measure forget their dearest frds. at home. I think it very strange not to hear from Jamaica when so frequent intercourses pass and repass to Lon. I wrote to the Dor., Mr. Moodie and yourself Aprile 9 by Lo'n I have heard frequently from them both since you went to Jamaica & they are surprised never to hear from you also; Mr. Moodie wrote his wife some time ago, the not from yourself, but a frd. at Kingston wrote that you was well and that you lodged-there. I hope you are arrived safe at Chrs'n before now, whence would be very agreeable news to us all but especially to your poor Mother who is now turned extremely anxious about you.

Howev'r. say Robe that I can rely on my own judgment to give you advise but I think you should not undertaken this voyage without a view of some visible advantage as I think the practical part of business & understanding the nature of the trade of the place sught to be your chief study.

I wou'd beg you would weigh things rationally in your mind & not sufer yourself to be drawn away by motives that are pleasing to young, giddy minds, of being seen in the World & making a show. I suppose Mr. Mayne encouraged you in this by something flattering to youth more than some small profit, but the real useful part of your business lyes at your littern for sometime, but that is now over. I hope in the Goodness of Divine Providence for your protection these Ticklish times. There is very great hazard in going to sea & as God has preserved you hitherto from the enemy I think it was very wrong to go to Sea again. It will be a great pleasure to us all to hear you are returned in safety & applying close to business.

You are my dear Bob, part of my daily prayers to Heaven to bless, preserve & prosper you & keep you from youthful snares & Temptations, which is the Rock that many many promising young men has split on. As you are now out into the World & conversing with mankind you will find that many vices & Follies which the sober, Rationall, prudent part of mankind views in a true light, are scofed & laught at by the Generality, but I must in the way of my Duty as a parent who had the Charge of your Education as a Christian tell you that those are all deceptions of the Corrupt heart of man; that virtue is the only ornament & happiness of the human mind & what only can justify the favour and esteem of God & man & only in the way of true prudence & Godliness can men expect to thrive & prosper in the World. I wou'd fain persuade myself when you left that you ane abhorrence at all kinds of vice I pray God it may be so with you still & as I have heard nothing to the Contrary I hope it is so with you still than which no Earthly thing will give your parents greater pleasure.

I had a letter the last from your Uncle (John) May 28, he is very well, takes some thoughts of coming soon home as he is confirmed in his health. I think I wrote your sister was married to Jo (John) Cunningham by her own

choice they were married privately in Nov. 1st, last Fall. Joe done her justice notwithstanding & settled a contract since her marriage. She is here staying to bring forth her first child. She seems very happy in her choice, may it long last.

There is nothing material to write you from this Country; as for private things Mrs. Moodie who brings this will inform, as for the publick news, they will reach you long before this arrives. Mrs. Moodie, poor woman has ventured over, with her small family I don't wonder at it considering what a kind husband she has. I shown her all the frd.ship in my power both on Mr. Moodies own acct. who was always a very good neighbor & more so for all his Civilitys to you who has in his power & I hope whose heart also to do you service.

Your mama has enjoyed pretty good health for some time. She was pretty ill in the Spring of her old trouble of low spirits, but is now tollerably well.

Mrs. Moodie goes passenger with Capt. Ritchie of Brant Island Robert Watson your old frd. goes out for Charleston, Commander of the Industry of Cockenzie, Jo Caddell, Wm. Caddell's second son with him who is advertised to sail the end of August, by whom I am to write to the Dor. Mr. Moodie & yourself in case of my accident to this.

We have been fav'd with one of the mildest Winters I ever mind & one of the best summers. I begun to cut my Cropt the 13th Curtt. which is amongst the earlyest harvest in our time; the Cropt is a midlin Cropt but the wheat only is very indifferent.

Pray Bob write me if this finds you safe arrival at Charleston as often as you can, if by Lon'dn, may direct to the care of Mr. William Yate who puts them under a frank along with William's letters with whom he corresponds & write him to this effect as I sent him some franks to Lon. for that purpose.

May God Almighty bless you & prosper you & spare you for a Comfort to us. I have been a little out of health by a disorder in my Stomack but after bleeding vomiting & other helps I thank God I am now better.

Your mother, Jenny D _____ who stays with us now, Jacky, Jamie & Willy all send their love to you.

I am Dr. Bob,
Your very affect. Father, while,
Ja. Heriot

To Mr. Robert Heriot, at the house of
Mr. Chas. Mayne, Merchant in Charleston, South Carolina.
(Original letter in possession, Miss Sallie Heriot Rembert, Sumter, S. C.)

Letter of Col. Robert Heriot of South Carolina, To His Mother.

George Town, So. Carolina, 30 August 1762.

My Dear Mama:

It is with the greatest of pleasure I hear of your welfare by Papa's letters of 26th April and 30 of May, last, and hope that my sister and brothers are likewise well. I am very sorry that my letters to Papa should miscarry so often, and be a means of making you think I have forgot you. Be assured I never can, and that my regard for you is as great as on the morning I parted with you.

You no doubt have heard by this time the particulars of my marriage by my letter of January last to Papa. But in case you should not, I'll trouble you with them. About three years ago I went to Geo. Town, 60 miles to the northward of Chas. Town, to see our friend and relative Mr. Cleland, where I got first acquainted with Miss Polly Ouldfield, sole heiress of John Ouldfield, Esq., deceased. Soon after this I went to Chas. Town to spend the winter, where I got still more intimate with her. This intimacy continued about a year. I never disclosed to her, being too sensible of the great difference between my means and circumstances and those of so many of the first and richest young gentlemen of the province, whose repeated offers she had rejected. Still, one day hearing her bantered about the many men of fortune she had rejected, she generously declared fortune was no merit in her eyes, that she had a fortune sufficient, of her own, and being independent, could marry the man she loved, if he had a good character and only six pence in his pocket. This frank declaration was no unfavorable omen to the part I had to act. About a week after I left Chas. Town, I set out for Geo. Town, in company with Mr. Kinloch, who lived hard by. On my arrival I found everthing on the lady's part as favourable as I could expect, but was opposed by some of her relations to whom her estate would devolve should she die under age, which by her father's will was 18, or the day of her marriage. This gave me little concern, knowing she minded nobody but her guardian, the Honble. Colonel Thos. Middleton, of the So. Carolina regiment, who fortunately for me, knew me on the expedition to the Cherokee Indians. This gentleman presented me with a letter for the lady which was greatly in my favour. Soon after we were married at her Aunt's where were present many of her relations and my friends. You no doubt will think I should be particular about the person I am joined to for life. I therefore assure you she is possessed of every qualification to render the married state a blessing. As to her person, I propose sending you her picture some time hence. By what I can remember she resembles Miss Peggy (Margaret) Lewis of Leith, very, very much in person, size, and I think a little in the face, only she (Polly) has black hair and a very great bloom in her cheeks, while Miss Lewis was pale and reddish hair. And to conclude, she is in a fair way of making a grand mother.

I am much obliged for the kind offer you make me of some cotton blankets which I beg you will not rob yourself, on my account. I cant think to give you the trouble to send me out shirts which I can get here so easily. But if you must still be the kind Mama, a little good table linen would be very agreeable especially as I could say it was my Mama's making, but beg if it is in the least inconvenient, you should not send it. Should you ever send me any little thing, there is no occasion to be at the expense of freight. I'll pay

it here. It would give me great pleasure did I know of any thing here which would be in the least acceptable to you. It looks very unnatural my brothers don't write me. It would have been no disadvantage to them to have corresponded with me. Some people I thought friends in Scotland have never put pen to paper to me. I suppose because they thought I would ask favours of them, and some few that wrote at first, left it off, I suppose for the same reason, tho' I often wrote both, but as my fortune is altered, they may likewise alter. But while my blood is warm, I hope to have spirit enough to despise those who are in reality beneath me than ever their emptiest vanity raised them above me.

As no opportunity offers at present of sending this, I shall not conclude as I may write you again more late accounts.

Geo. Town, So. Caro. Sept. 1762.

On the 31st of last month, you was made a Grandmother and of a girl, a fine little girl, which in remembrance of my dearest Mama was christened Janet, and of the nick-name, Jessie. Your daughter-in-law is quite well again, and longs for an opportunity to acknowledge her mother, &c. and I will trouble you with a few lines her first opportunity.

Nov. 1st. We are still all well. Our little grand daughter grows fast is healthy. Polly presents respects and will be very happy at a letter from you. As I hear _____ I must conclude. Praying God _____ and my sister and brothers prove a blessing, to my dear Mama, I am your most dutiful son,

(Signed) Robert Heriot.

P. S. The conditions on which I could send you your daughter's picture are that you should have Papa's and yours drawn at my expense. Send them to me. If this is not convenient, I beg it as a very great favor let yours be drawn without a cap, in loose dress, which fashion never varies, and Papa's with _____ (Illegible) _____.

Letter of Robert Heriot of South Carolina To His Mother, Janet Horsburgh
Heriot, Dirleton, Scotland, Addressed to Her "Near North Berwick."

Dear Mama:

I wrote to you about a month ago, to which I have (illegible)
the bearer, _____ Mill, particular friend

I am same time
assured of the pleasure it will afford you to see a person I am most anxious
say nothing

in our family

done regarding

I beg to recommend to you thru the authorized party for you to
advance Willie's patrimony, also half of my propertion on the terms I wrote to
you and that as soon as you are able he must not be idle. For particulars I
refer you to Mr. Mill & W. B. My best wishes for your welfare, I am

Dear Mama,
Your most affect. son,
(Signed) Robert Heriot.

Chas. Town.
11th June 1769.

Letter Of Charles Mill To Robert Heriot Of South Carolina.

Edin. 9th December 1769.

My dear Sir:

The enclosed letters are of a very old state, I wrote them from Aberdeen some time in October, here they have laid since & missed many opportunities & its only to convince you that I'm not so negligent as you have reason to conclude that I now send them.

It is with pleasure that I inform you of Mr. Deas & I having been to your Mama about a month ago; She was then extremely well & seem'd very happy to see us; when we was on the road to Dirleton your Brother John passed us on horseback. Mr. Deas imagined he saw in his face a great look of you, however I was not sensible of it at first, but upon looking again I concluded it must be a brother of yours & we sent the Servant back to inquire if he was not Mr. Heriot & to acquaint him that we were on our way to see his mother. He turned back immediately & went with us to Castlemains where we would gladly have staid all night had not an Engagement obliged Mr. Deas to be in Edinburgh next morning by 10 o'clock; so we only dined & drank Tea with your mama & went all night to Haddington. It is not very easy to say how glad the good old lady was to see people who could inform her of so many particulars about her Son & as for me I do not remember to have felt more inward satisfaction than I experienced the few hours I talked with your Mama, she is a truly affectionate mother, indeed the tear was hardly out of her eye while we were there & many a blessing did we get from coming to see her. Mr. Deas has promised her a longer visit when he returns from France next Summer.

I found she had wrote you some particulars about Billy's money so I did not press on that head. I shall recollect many circumstances on this subject when I have the pleasure of seeing you.

Your friend Mr. Hogg is now in London. I shall call again before I leave Edinburgh, possibly by that time he may be returned. I see Mr. Grieve often. He is very well & desires to be remembered to you & Billy. He has given me a direction where to find your Brother & I shall be at his Brewery in a few days. Mr. Grieve tells me he is now in a way of doing exceedingly well, having got his works in pretty good Order & will begin to Brew soon. -Mr. Gough desires his best Complements to Mrs. Heriot & yourself---he is applying very closely to his studies & I dare say will turn out extremely well; he does not purpose being in Carolina these 3 years yet; he is much in the right for he may never have an opportunity again such as this of improving himself.

I now begin to wish very much for a letter from you; I shall be anxious to know of Mrs. Heriot & young ones, I hope you'll write me particularly.

Pray tell your Brother that I only received his letter of 20th August two days ago & that I'll write when I get to London.

I shall take Glasgow in my way. I'll have an opportunity of seeing your sister Mrs. Cunningham, your Mama beg'd I would go & see her before I left

Scotland.

The time is not yet fixed for my sailing but I imagine I shall leave England some time in February expecting to hear from you soon & with many good wishes for the health & happiness of your family I remain my Dr. Sir,

Your most Affect. & very Obedient Sir,

Chas. Mill.

To Robert Heriot, Esqr.,
to Care of Mr. Marr,
Merchant, Chas. Town, South Carolina.

Concerning Robert Heriot of South Carolina.

By Authority of the Council of Safety,
2nd December 1775.

Whereas the Provincial Congress in their late Session began the 1st and adjourned the 29th of November last, did resolve that six pieces of Cannon together with a proper quantity of Ball should be forthwith sent to Georgetown for the defense and security of that part of this Colony and Whereas it is necessary that the said resolution should be carried into execution without delay.

Resolved that ROBERT HERIOT, Esquire, Captain of the Light Infantry Company of Georgetown, aforesaid, have authority and he is hereby authorized and empowered to impress any one proper Schooner or other vessell for taking on board and conveying the said Cannon and shot from Charleston Neck to Wappataw Bridge there to be discharged.

Resolved that full compensation shall be made to the owner or owners of any Schooner or other Vessell impressed into this service, upon producing a proper certificate from Mr. Heriot or other authentic proof.

Ordered that all persons do pay due obedience hereunto.

(Signed) HENRY LAURENS,

President of the Council of Safety.

Concerning Robert Heriot of South Carolina.

Commission as Captain, Dated 29th April, 1776.

SOUTH CAROLINA

By His Excellency, JOHN RUTLEDGE, Esquire, President and Commander-in-Chief of the said Colony.

TO ROBERT HERIOT, Esquire.

By virtue of the Power and Authority in me vested by the Constitution or form of Government agreed to and resolved upon by the Representatives of South Carolina, assembled in a Congress holden at Charles Town on the Twenty-Sixth day of March in the Year of our Lord One Thousand and seven Hundred and Seventy-six,-- I, with the advice and Consent of the Privy Council, reposing Special Trust and Confidence in your Courage and Good Conduct, and in your Fidelity and Attachment to the Liberties of America, have commissioned, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do commission, constitute and appoint you the said ROBERT HERIOT to be Captain of the Georgetown Volunteer Light Infantry Company in the Lower Craven County Regiment of Militia commanded by Colonel Daniel Horry, which said company you are to lead, train, muster and exercise according to Military Discipline.

And you are to follow and observe all such Orders and Instructions as you shall from time to time receive from me or the Commander in Chief for the time being, or any other your superior Officers, according to the Rules and Discipline of War, pursuant to the Laws of this Colony as established by the said Constitution.

And all inferior Officers and others belonging to the said Company are hereby required and commanded to obey you as their Captain.

This commission to continue during pleasure.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Charles Town this Twenty ninth day of April in the Year of our Lord One Thousand and seven Hundred and Seventy-six.

SEAL

J. RUTLEDGE.

Letter of Mary Ouldfield Heriot, To Robert Heriot

My Dear Rob:-

It is with great pleasure I send away Cupid with the horses. Your brother send six. I don't know how many Mr. Smith is to send. I hope nothing may happen to prevent your getting out on Monday, tho I am still full of fears. The Militia are not gone yet, when they are gone, and Capt. Postell's Company, who are to go next week, there will be scarce a white man left in this part of the country. I hope, my dear Rob, I shall have the pleasure of seeing you next Tuesday or Wednesday at the farthest. If you leave, (illegible) enough, otherwise I am afraid you will be detained. I sent you a letter last Tuesday by a boy of Mr. Allstons. Notwithstanding the joy I feel at the thought of once more seeing you my dear Rob I cannot quite get well. I was in hopes that joy would have had as much an effect upon my constitution as sorrow had, however I can eat now and have recovered my spirits. I hope your presence will do all the rest. Miss Mann, Miss LaRoche and the young ladies desire to be remembered to you. Mrs. Mann says she now hopes to meet you again. Do not forget our compliments to Mrs. Tucker and Doctor Hyrne.

In the pleasing expectation of meeting again, I remain with the truest affection my dear Rob,

Yours,

MARY HERIOT

June 28, 1776.

To Capt. Heriot
Haddrell's Point (Mt. Pleasant of today)

Letter of Mary Ouldfield Heriot to Robert Heriot

My dear Rob:-

Since I wrote the above, by a boy of Mr. Allston's we have had the intelligence that the attack is begun. My fears have now proved true. I have got a white boy to go to Haddrell's but my poor heart forebodes that all is dearest to me in life is removed from there to some dangerous station. I am amazed at myself that I am able to write this calmly, but I am entirely stupefied and know not what to do. I cannot shed a tear but just stand trembling and amazed and listen to the gun that I distinctly hear.

Oh, my dear, dear Rob do I live to say all that I fear you may not be in a situation to read this note when it arrives. Thank God this last cruel thought has forced the tears to find a passage from my heart, and I am something more resigned but at the same time I most scarcely suffer. I have one comfort, that is that a little more affliction of this kind will put me in a situation above the reach of any mortal evil, in which case may the Almighty God grant that we may one day meet in those inhabitations of bliss where we may never more be parted., and my dear Rob I think I can assure you that it is impossible for any one ever to have loved with a more ardent affection or tender love than your distrest, unhappy,

MARY HERIOT.

Saturday Night 12 o'clock

Capt. Heriot,

Haddrell's Point.

Received after the engagement begun at the advanced post of Sullivan's Island.

R. H.

CONCERNING ROBERT HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Commission as Lieut. Colonel, 28 April, 1779.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA:

By His Excellency, John Rutledge, Esquire.
Governor and Commander in Chief of the said State:

TO ROBERT HERIOT, ESQUIRE

I, reposing special trust and Confidence in your courage and good conduct, and in your fidelity and Attachment to the Liberties of America, have Commissioned, constituted and appointed and by these presents do commission, constitute and appoint you, the said ROBERT HERIOT to be Lieutenant Colonel of the Lower Craven County Regiment of Militia, commanded by Colonel Archibald McDonald, which said Regiment you are to lead, train, muster and exercise, according to Military Discipline.

And you are to follow and observe all such Orders and instructions as you shall from time to time receive from me, or the Commander in Chief for the time being, or any other your superior Officers, according to the Rules and Discipline of War, pursuant to the Laws of this State. And all inferior officers and others belonging to the said Regiment are hereby required and commanded to obey you as their Lieutenant Colonel.

This Commission to continue during pleasure.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Charleston, this Twenty eighth day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand and seven Hundred and Seventy-nine, and in the third year of American Independence.

By His Excellency's Command:

J. W. Huger

Secretary.

S E A L

J. RUTLEDGE.

CONCERNING ROBERT HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ORDER DATED 4th FEB. 1779

Sir:

As the Garrison from Cat Island Fort is not yet arrived in Town I am afraid some mistake has happened, or misapprehension of the Orders.

It was intended that you should relieve the Detachment of the Artillery who did duty at that Fort, with a Detachment from your Company of Militia and that the Artillery should proceed to your Charles Town to strengthen Fort Johnson, where they are much wanted.

I hope sir, you will, on your part, further this arrangement.

I am, Sir,

Your Most Obed't Hum. Serv't.

RAWLINGS LOWNDES

Chas. Town.

4th February, 1779.

Capt. Harriotte.

CONCERNING ROBERT HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Order From Governor J. Rutledge To Lt. Col. Robt. Heriot

Sir:

I think proper and accordingly do hereby put the following Companies Viz: Bonneau's, Benson's, Mitchell's, Dunn's, Warden's, McColey's, Ford's and Lorew's under your immediate command, to act with them only under orders from me,--and I desire that you will keep one half of these Companies always on duty at Georgetown and Cat Island, on guard duty along the sea coast, Patrol duty must be performed by so many of the remainder of those Companies as may be sufficient for that purpose.

In case of the Enemy's actual invasion, you are to employ the whole of those Companies in such manner as the security and safety of that part of the Country render most expedient and advisable.

I am, Sir,

Y'r very HM'ble Serv't.

(Signed) J. RUTLEDGE.

Chas. Town, March 5th, 1780.

To Lieut. Col. Heriot.

Headquarters,
18th July, 1780

Lord Cornwallis has been pleased to permit Lt. Colonel Heriot to visit his family at Goergetown, and to be absent from the Island fourteen days from this date hereof (adhering strictly to his parole during that time) at the expiration of which he is to comply with the terms of his present parole.

A. ROSS
Aide de Camp.

Major Wemyss's compliments to Mr. Robert Heriot; Is now writing a letter to Lord Cornwallis requesting an addition to his leave, which Mr. Wemyss hopes will be granted, is exceedingly sorry for the distress of his family.

The letter will be ready in half an hour, if Mr. Heriot will send for it.

Wednesday morning.

Lt. Colo. Heriot having permission from the Commandant of Charleston is commissioned to remain at Georgetown until further orders, adhering strictly in the meantime to his parole. I hereby give him permission to visit his plantation of Waccamaw with the approbation of the Commanding officer of the Militia at Georgetown.

JOHN SANDERS

Capt. Comm'g Town

Georgetown 19th February 1781.

Letter Of Mary Ouldfield Heriot

October 31, 1780

My dear Bob:-

I received your letters by Tom and Andrew and am surely glad to hear you are well, little Robert is at length entirely recovered, he speaks as well as ever he did and I am in hopes he will gather strength as the cold weather comes in, but poor little baby still continues sick. Doct. Machie attends her but he has such a number of patients that I can't see him as often as I could wish. How happy I am my Dr. Bob to think you approve of my conduct during your absence. To merit your approbation has ever been the wish of my heart, nor know I a satisfaction equal to that of pleasing you, it is indeed almost the only cheerful idea my poor afflicted heart can entertain. My children once used to afford me inexpressible pleasure, but I have learned to look on them as blessings lent for a short time and in spite of all my efforts to the contrary, every day something or other occurs to put me in mind of my late irreparable loss, poor little baby's continuing so long ailing adds greatly to my distress. Without being sensible of it, I ever run into an error that I strive to avoid, for I would rather affect a cheerfulness I do not feel, than add to your disquiet, by dwelling on my own. In regard to our long and cruel separation, I am really distressed. I have spoke with Col. Cassells, he was friendly in his professions but it was not in my power to prevail on him to write anything in your favor, he desires me to tell you that he assures you, nothing of that kind is necessary, but at any rate it is his most serious advice to wait a few weeks at the expiration of which time he seems certain matters will be on a better footing and he has promised then to do everything in his power and in the meantime to assist me with his advice. Almost sinking as I am under my present unhappy situation I have made every effort in my power to act in such a manner as might prove most favorable to you, may the Almighty still direct me for the best. I am under great obligations to Doct. Garden for introducing Capt. Blucke to my acquaintance. He appears to be everything that is polite and human. I flatter myself I shall find a friend in him. He has already offered me every protection and civility in his power. At present he is much engaged at the redoubt. By Capt. Causzar I am treated with the greatest politeness and respect; from him and Capt. Blucke I have repeated assurances of protection and friendship.

Col. Cassells declared his not writing anything in your favor did not arise from an unwillingness to serve you, but repeatedly desired me to tell you it was his advice to wait two or three weeks longer. Well acquainted as I am with your political sentiments I made him every assurance I thought necessary. Unhappy commotions still continue to distress this part of the country, but I am hopeful they draw near a conclusion. An intimate acquaintance of ours who thinks of going to Charles Town very soon will come and see you, by him you will hear particularly from me. In regard to going to Providence, it is the advice of all our friends we should at present decline it, it is the opinion also of those British officers with whom I am acquainted. Acreman I believe is honest and faithful and means well, but it requires something more at present to keep such an interest as ours together. I think upon the whole our negroes have behaved better than most others. Mr. William Heriot has lately lost four of the most valuable of his, notwithstanding the discouragement (they are sold)

they meet with from the British when they desert their lawful owners. This part of the Country has been more sickly than ever I knew it, Mrs. Wragg, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Heffries are very ill, Mrs. Trapier, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Rohmahler are better, poor Mrs. Crofts it is thought is dying, young Mrs. Mitchell lost her little daughter some time ago. Mrs. Wate has been long ill but is better again. Miss LaRoche is at present well and desires to be remembered to you. You can scarcely imagine a more distressed place than Georgetown is at present. Poor Miss Green is still very sick. I have not seen Miss Man these several weeks, she has been confined to the country with her mama who is unwell. I am troubled with a slow fever myself, but thank God not sick enough to lie down. I have a good deal of fatigue with the negroes, that are inoculated. I have had 70 in hand already, they still have the small pox very favourable, and I hope God it may continue so, nothing is wanting in that cruel disorder but strict attention. I am clothing those who are most in want with the indigo cloths, as you directed. I shall be very glad when you can buy for all the rest of the children, who are in great want of clothes, but they have gone through the small pox almost every one of them already. If they all get over it I shall think my trouble well bestowed. I observe what you say in regard to Philander, he did behave very much amiss but it is a long time ago and I believe not so bad as you heard. We have had the highest tides lately that ever I remember, many people have suffered greatly by it. I forgot to mention that Jonah Horry called on me. I write things as they occur to me for I am often interrupted. My distress my Dr. Bob at our long separation can be imagined only by those who have tender and susceptible hearts, this I had proof of the other day from one who calls himself a friend, from the cold and insensible manner that he mentioned your absence from your long afflicted and distressed family, plainly proved that he was unacquainted with the tender feelings of a fond parent or an affectionate husband. For my part, tho I have never said, as many perhaps in my situation might, that it is impossible for me to live without you, (to die when we please is not in our power), I may with greater sincerity say I have never known one peaceful moment since we parted, nor shall I know either joy or comfort till we meet again. I can't help flattering myself that I shall meet with a friend in Capt. Blucke, if I am not mistaken in him, he possesses a humane heart. Besides Doct. Garden's introduction, Capt. Causzar was kind enough to mention me to him in a particular manner and would have come with him to see me but that he was ill at the time. I am sorry to hear there is probability of Capt. Causzar's removing and another gally sent to this place. I hope it may not be so. With Capt. Blucke there is a Doct. Dawson who appears to be a civil obliging young gentleman. I still strive to keep up my spirits, but am afraid I shall not be able to do it much longer unless it pleases God to stir up some friend that will interest himself in my behalf and restore you once more to your afflicted family. To the protection of an all Merciful God I once more recommend you, and remain with the tenderest affection, My Dr. Bob, Yours &c.

Mary Heriot

P. S.

I had almost forgot to thank you for the Port Wine, it was truly acceptable to me. I hope it will be of service to me for that slow fever which is so troublesome to me, for I have really not time to take physic. I can't help again mentioning Doct. Garden I think I am under infinitely greater obligations to him

than to many from whom I had as great a right to expect it. As soon as I can get a pass I shall send Tom and you will receive by him the clothes you wrote for. I have told him to ask you about the indigo, there is no more old rice, I sent all there was by Manuel. Baby says I must tell you what a good girl she is and beg you not to forget her cap. I really think she is the best child I ever knew. Little Robert is fonder of me than ever he was (since he had the small pox), he often tells me I don't kiss him so often as I used to do. He is anxious his hair should grow again, at present he is quite bald.

I wish I had any kind of school to put poor John to he is losing a deal of precious time. Old Wallace is dead and there is no school at all in George Town. Once more Adieu My Dr. Bob, did every body wish as much to see peace and quiet restored as you and I do we should have been blest with the society of each other long before this. I have been convinced that it is not owing to the British that I suffer by your absence. Had Lord Cornwallis received Major Wemyss's letter in your favor or had either of those gentlemen returned, you would have been with your family I dare say before this. Would to God you were as well known to the present Commandant.

October 31st, 1780.

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of WILLIAM and Mary (Thomas) HERIOT.

V-4-5-1 Edward Thomas, Planter and Physician

Born May 1, 1793, Georgetown, S. C.
 Died November 22, 1854, Dirleton Plantation, Georgetown, S. C.
 Married October 27, 1832, Columbia, S. C.
 To

Eliza Stark

Born September 17, 1801, Columbia, S. C.
 Died September 25, 1866, Plantersville, S. C.

(Resided at Mount Arena and Dirleton Plantations, and at
 Plantersville)

(With issue)

V-4-5-2 William Francis, Planter

Born December 17, 1794, Georgetown, S. C.
 Died April 10, 1841, Georgetown, S. C.

Unmarried

Robert

Born _____
 Died In infancy

Ann Mary

Born _____
 Died In infancy

Eliza Withers

Born _____
 Died In infancy

Samuel Thomas

Born _____
 Died In infancy

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of EDWARD THOMAS and Eliza (Stark) HERIOT

- V-4-5-1-1 Francis Withers
 Born April 20, 1825, Serenity Plantation
 Died December 28, 1873, at Friendfield Plantation
 Married November 18, 1856, Georgetown, S. C.
 To
 Sarah Elizabeth Ford
 Born November 4, 18____, Deer Hall Plantation, Georgetown, S. C.
 Died May 8, 1868, Plantersville, S. C.
 Resided at Mount Arena Plantation, on Waccamaw River,
 Georgetown County, South Carolina
 (With issue)
- V-4-5-1-2 Mary Elizabeth
 Born November 9, 1827, Mount Arena
 Died January 29, 1912, Columbia, S. C.
 Married April 23, 1845, Mount Arena
 To
 Dr. James R. Sparkman
 Born August 21, 1815
 Died November ____, 1897
 Interred Prince Frederick's, Pee Dee, S. C.
 Resided at Dirleton Plantation, on Pee Dee River, Georgetown, S. C.
- V-4-5-1-3 Robert Stark, Physician
 Born December 25, 1830, Mount Arena Plantation
 Died November 4, 1875, Georgetown, S. C.
 Married November 8, 1855, Georgetown, Prince Georges, Winyah
 To
 Martha Helen Ford
 Born July 19, 1837, Plantersville, S. C.
 Died July 12, 1883, Charleston, S. C.
 Resided at Dirleton Plantation and Birdfield Plantation
 Interred at Prince George's Winyah, Episcopal Church, Georgetown
- V-4-5-1-4 Edward Thomas,
 Born June 27, 1834, "Woodlands" on the Beach
 Died September 1, 1840, on the Beach
- V-4-5-1-5 Eliza
 Born April 10, 1837, Mount Arena Plantation
 Died September 13, 1891, Plantersville
 Unmarried

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of EDWARD THOMAS and Eliza (Stark) HERRIOT

V-4-5-1-6 Alexander Glennie, Rice Planter
Born June 13, 1840, "Woodlands" on the Beach
Died December 25, 1914,
Married December 20, 1860, at Prince George's, Winyah

To

Anna Glenn Coachman
Born May 13, 1830
Died
Resided at Georgetown, S. C.

Named for the Rev. Alexander Glennie, an Englishman, husband of his aunt, Harriet Stark

(With issue)

V-4-5-1-7 Martha Emma
Born March 28, 1849, Mount Arena Plantation
Died
Married November 20, 1867, Dirleton Plantation
To
William Erwin Sparkman, nephew of Dr. James R. Sparkman
Born
Died March 10, 1877, Dirleton Plantation
Resided in Georgetown County

(With issue)

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of Colonel FRANCIS WITHERS and Sarah (Ford) HERIOT

V-4-5-1-1-1 Mary Elizabeth

Born March 10, 1858, Deer Hall Plantation

Died May 10, 1881, Charleston, South Carolina

Interred, Prince Frederick's Churchyard
Georgetown County, South Carolina

Unmarried

V-4-5-1-1-2 William Horsburgh

Born _____, 1864, Allston on Chapel Creek

Died _____, 1864, Allston on Chapel Creek

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of Dr. James R. Sparkman and his wife, Mary Elizabeth (HERIOT) Sparkman

SPARKMAN

V-4-5-1-2-1 Edward Heriot, Banker

Born _____

Married _____

To _____

Augusta Kirk

Born _____

Residing 138 Broad Street, Charleston, S. C.

(3 Sons, 1 Daughter)

V-4-5-1-2-2 James Ritchie

Born _____

Unmarried _____

Residing, Georgetown, S. C.

V-4-5-1-2-3 Jane McCrady

Born October 8, 1853

Died January, 1897

Married June 25, 1872

To _____

Benjamin Huger Ward, Rice Planter

Born January 23, 1841

Died May 18, 1903

Resided, Georgetown County, S. C.

(8 Children)

V-4-5-1-2-4 George Eugene Thorne, Physician

Born _____

Died _____

Married _____

To _____

Julia Bonham

Born _____

Died _____

Resided, Columbia, S. C.

(One Child only - Son, George)

V-4-5-1-2-5 William Erwin, Physician

Born _____

Married _____

To _____

Harriet Buck

Born _____

Residing Georgetown, S. C.

(2 Sons)

Son

James Ritchie, drowned

William Erwin

Elizabeth

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of Dr. James R. Sparkman and his wife, Mary Elizabeth (HERIOT) Sparkman

SPARKMAN

- V-4-5-1-2-6 Alexander Glennie
 Born _____
 Died _____ (Deceased)
 Unmarried
- V-4-5-1-2-7 Mary Elizabeth
 Born _____
 Married 1st _____
 to _____
 Joseph Ramsay Tucker
 Born March 17, 1854
 Died July 4, 1887
 Married 2nd _____
 to _____
 Allan Hamby
 Born _____
 Residing Washington, D. C.
- (Several Children)
- V-4-5-1-2-8 Robert Stark
 Born _____
 Died _____ (Deceased)
 Unmarried
- V-4-5-1-2-9 Emma Heriot
 Born _____
 Died _____ (Deceased)
 Unmarried
- V-4-5-1-2-10 Sullivan Thorne
 Born _____
 Married _____
 to _____

 Born _____
- Residing 826 Gregg Street, Columbia, S. C.
- (2 Children)

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of Dr. Robert Stark HERIOT and his wife, Helen (Ford) Heriot

HERIOT

- V-4-5-1-3-1 Janet
Born December 6, 1856, Dirleton Plantation, Georgetown Co.
Unmarried
Residing, 101 Lucy Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama
- V-4-5-1-3-2 Eliza Stark
Born January 11, 1858, Deer Hall Plantation, Georgetown Co.
Married July 19, 1894
To
Benjamin Aspinwall White
Born
Residing, Macon, Georgia
- V-4-5-1-3-3 Anna Helen
Born August 21, 18____, Plantersville, Georgetown Co.
Died September 25, 1884, Whites Bridge, Georgetown Co.
Married April 17, 1879, Birdfield Plantation
To
Christopher Gadsden Hume
Born February 7, 1852
Died May 14, 1884, Whites Bridge, Georgetown County, S. C.
Resided at Charleston, S. C. and Savannah, Georgia

(With issue)
- V-4-5-1-3-4 Rosa Belle
Born February 8, 1861, Birdfield Plantation
Married _____ 1894, Macon, Georgia
To
William R. Wootton
Born
Residence, Macon, Georgia

(Without issue)
- V-4-5-1-3-5 Robert Stark
Born February 5, 1864, Plantersville, S. C.
Died _____ 1889, Macon, Georgia
Unmarried
- V-4-5-1-3-6 Charles
Born July 31, 1866, Plantersville, S. C.
Married _____ 1894, Macon, Georgia
To
Mary Swing
Born
Residing, Macon, Georgia
(With issue)

Descendants of WILLIAM HERIOT, of South Carolina

Children of Dr. Robert Stark HERIOT and his wife, Helen (Ford) Heriot

HERIOT

V-4-5-1-3-7 Theodore Stark, Planter
Born April 14, 1868, Plantersville, S. C.
Married _____, Mexico City
To

Laura Lippett

Born

Residing at Rio Piedras, Porto Rico

(With issue)

V-4-5-1-3-8 Elizabeth
Born February 17, 1870
Married 1894, Macon, Georgia
To

Charles Bulloch White

Born

Residing at Macon, Georgia

V-4-5-1-3-9 James Sparkman
Born February 11, 1872
Married
Residing at Mobile, Alabama

James Rees Ford

Born , 1873

Died _____, 1878

V-4-5-1-3-11 Alexander Mador Forster
Born January 18, 1878
Died 1882

Born January 18, 1878

Died	1882
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DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of Alexander Glennie and Anna Glenn (Coachman) HERIOT

HERIOT

- V-4-5-1-7-1 Mary Walter
Born November 18, 1861 Died December 31, 1903
Unmarried
- V-4-5-1-7-2 Edward Thomas, Merchant
Born June 1863
Married _____
To
Cornelia Fitch (Widow Smith) Born _____
Without issue. Present address unknown.
- V-4-5-1-7-3 Anna Ramelle
Born September 12, 1866
Married November 15, 1900 To
James Farr Simms Born _____
With issue. Residing in Columbia, S. C.
- V-4-5-1-7-4 Alexander Glennie, Farmer
Born December 26, 1869
Unmarried. Residing in Manning, S. C.
- V-4-5-1-7-5 Helen Fedrine, Born March 4, 1871 Died 1871
- V-4-5-1-7-6 Maria Ress
Born October 8, 1872
Married June 31, 1899 to James Allan
Born October 21, 1865 Died December 9, 1914
Resided at Summerville, South Carolina.
With issue.
- V-4-5-1-7-7 John William, Farmer
Born June 7, 1874
Married May 20, 1903 To
Letitia Margaret Wells Born June 15, 1881
With issue. Residing at Manning, South Carolina
- V-4-5-1-7-8 Anna Glenn
Born October 25, 1878
Married December 14, 1911 to
Alexander Ross Taylor Born _____
With issue. Residing at Columbia, South Carolina.
- V-4-5-1-7-9 Caroline Ford
Born April 5, 1881
Died October 1881

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of Benjamin Huger and Jane (Sparkman) WARD

WARD:

- V-4-5-1-2-3-1 Mary Elizabeth
 Born July 7, 1873
 Married January 5, 1897 to
 William Capers White Born _____
 Residing 419 Johnson Avenue, Macon, Georgia.
 Without issue.
- V-4-5-1-2-3-2 Joshua John, Planter
 Born April 19, 1874
 Married December 31, 1902 to
 Marie Hermione Lachicotte Born _____
 Residing Waverly Mills, Georgetown County, South Carolina
 3 Children
- V-4-5-1-2-3-3 Benjamin Huger, Bookkeeper
 Born October 31, 1878; Died June 18, 1916
 Unmarried
- V-4-5-1-2-3-4 Emmie Sparkman
 Born February 19, 1882
 Married September 19, 1904 to
 Frank Hampton Haskell Born _____
 Residing Columbia, South Carolina.
 2 Children
- V-4-5-1-2-3-5 Bentley Douglas, Marine Engineer
 Born February 15, 1885
 Married April 12, 1916 to
 Maude Rivers Born _____
 Residing Charleston, South Carolina. Without issue.
- V-4-5-1-2-3-6 George Sparkman, Civil Engineer, 117 Eng. Reg. U. S. Army
 Born October 25, 1887
 Unmarried.
- V-4-5-1-2-3-7 James, Stenographer
 Born May 12, 1890
 Unmarried.
- V-4-5-1-2-3-8 Alice Rutledge
 Born January 1, 1893
- V-4-5-1-2-3-9 Florence Lee
 Born October 30, 1895
 Macon, Georgia.

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of Mary Elizabeth Sparkman and Husband, Jos. Ramsay Tucker

TUCKER

- V-4-5-1-2-7-1 James Sparkman
Born February 1, 1881 Died May 12, 1954
- V-4-5-1-2-7-2 Claudia Allan
Born November 13, 1882
- V-4-5-1-2-7-3 George Eugene Sparkman
Born July 19, 1884

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Children of Christopher C. and Anna (HERIOT) Hume

HUME

- V-4-5-1-3-3-1 Christopher Gadsden, Merchant
Born February 4, 1880
Married _____ to
Ruby Kolb Richardson
Born _____
Residing Montgomery, Alabama.
With issue.
- V-4-5-1-3-3-2 Maria Campbell
Born April 9, 1882
Unmarried, 1918.
Residing with Aunt Janet Heriot, 101 Lucy Avenue,
Birmingham, Alabama.
- V-4-5-1-3-3-3 Helen Heriot
Born September 14, 1883
Unmarried, 1918.
Residing 101 Lucy Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama.

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of Charles and Mary (Swing) HERIOT

Macon, Georgia

HERIOT

V-4-5-1-3-6-1	Martha Helen Born _____		
V-4-5-1-3-6-2	Benjamin, Soldier, European War, 1918 Born _____		
V-4-5-1-3-6-3	Evelyn Born <u>September 25, 1899</u>		
V-4-5-1-3-6-4	Edward Born <u>November 4, 1901</u>		
V-4-5-1-3-6-5	Mary Born <u>October 8, 1904</u>		
V-4-5-1-3-6-6	Florence Born <u>May 2, 1907</u>		
V-4-5-1-3-6-7	Janet Horsburgh Born <u>September 29, 1909</u>		
V-4-5-1-3-6-8	William Born <u>August 18, 1911</u>		
V-4-5-1-3-6-9	Robert Born _____	Died	Age 2 Years

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Children of Theodore and Laura (Lippett) HERIOT

HERIOT

V-4-5-1-3-7-1	Robert Stark Born <u>September 22, 1901</u>	Mexico City
V-4-5-1-3-7-2	William Fontaine Born <u>August 23, 1903</u>	Mexico City
V-4-5-1-3-7-3	Laura Born <u>August 14, 1906</u>	
V-4-5-1-3-7-4	Theodore Stark Born <u>April 12, 1908</u>	

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of Elizabeth (Heriot) and Charles B. White

WHITE:

V-4-5-1-3-8-1 Anna Helen
 Born November 8, 1895
 Married _____ to
 George Whipple Dobbs, U. S. Army
 Born _____

V-4-5-1-3-8-3 Marion
 Born August 25, 1898

V-4-5-1-3-8-4 Charles Bulloch
 Born July 9, 1901

V-4-5-1-3-8-5 Samuel Gore
 Born July 24, 1904

V-4-5-1-3-8-6 Robert Stark Heriot
 Born January 29, 1908

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Children of James F. and Anna Ramelle (Heriot) Sims

SIMS

V-4-5-1-7-3-1 Anna Ramelle
 Born 1902

V-4-5-1-7-3-2 Glenn Heriot
 Born 1904

V-4-5-1-7-3-3 James Farr
 Born 1906
 Married _____ to
 Reba Heirs, Walterboro

V-4-5-1-7-3-4 Walter Heriot
 Born 1910

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of James and Maria Ress (Heriot) Allan

ALLAN

V-4-5-1-7-6-1 Glennie Heriot
Born _____ 1900

V-4-5-1-7-6-2 Alexander Nicholson
Born _____ 1902

V-4-5-1-7-6-3 Walter
Born _____ 1904

V-4-5-1-7-6-4 Stephen Ford
Born _____ 1907

V-4-5-1-7-6-5 Grace Catherine
Born _____ 1909

V-4-5-1-7-6-6 James Campbell
Born May 19 1914 Died November 13, 1914

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Children of John William and Letitia (Wells) Heriot

HERIOT

V-4-5-1-7-7-1 Lucius Wells
Born _____ 1905

V-4-5-1-7-7-2 Mary Walter
Born _____

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Children of Anna Glenn (Heriot) and Alexander Ross Taylor

TAYLOR

V-4-5-1-7-8-1 John
Born _____ 1912

V-4-5-1-7-8-2 Glenn Coachman
Born _____ Died May 1917

V-4-5-1-7-8-3 Catherine Anna
Born _____ 1917

Letter of William Heriot to Robert Heriot of South Carolina

Dear Bob:-

I received your most affectionate letter of the 1st May last & am greatly obliged to you for your many expressions of kindness in promising to do for me as far as is in your power, of which I shall always have a true & just remembrance. I was sorry to hear by your letter to Mamma the death of little Jessy, it was to be sure a very afflicting stroke the death of an only child, but was happy to learn by another letter of the 12th January that fortune has favoured you with another daughter, which I hope God will spare for your & Mrs. Heriots Comfort. Mama would have wrote you this opportunity but we had not time to inform her of it as it threw up so unexpectedly but she will write you the very first that offers, she has not kept her health so well as she has done for some time past but she is now pretty well recovered, she lets her situation with regard to Jamie & I afflict her too much, but a year or two will put an end to that when I hope we will be able to do for ourselves.

Our Uncle John would take it as a singular favour you would take the trouble to write him a line or two letting him know your agreeable situation, he always expresses a very tender regard for you. Georgie Dickson came to this Country about a month ago & he has informed us particularly with regard to your happy situation with so fine a lady, he tells many surprising story & thanks you very much for your kindness. I must beg it a favour you will write me often, nothing gives me greater pleasure than hearing of your welfare & I shall embrace every opportunity to do the same on my. John's family & Mr. Cunninghams are all well they have a prospect of a large family. Mama & all Friends joins me in Compliments to you and Mrs. Heriot & expectation of hearing at first opportunity from you I remain,

My Dear Brother,

Your Mo. Afft. Brother

WM. HERIOT

Edinb. 23 April 1765

Letter of William Heriot to His Mother

London, 25th June, 1768

Dear Mama:-

I wrote you yesterday was sevenight advising you of my safe arrival here, which I hope came safe to hand. I have now seen Mr. Hill and the other gentlemen to whom I had letters, and after waiting on, and conversing with them, I find its impossible for me to get into a Counting House in this City, & as this is the case, I have engaged with the Master of an Academy, & propose attending same on Tuesday first. I am very well boarded with one of the name of Henderson, who came from about Boiness. & whose husband (Captain Robertson) is commander of a Jamison vessel, she is a very frank, agreeable woman. Captain Tibbetts recommended me to her. I have a very good room & every other thing in a very genteel manner. The terms of my Board is 10/6 a week & I pay for the washing of my shirts, stockings & c. myself. We have never anything to drink after dinner but small beer, and if we choose to have a can of Beer (which you call Porter) we club for it--I dined with Mr. Mill yesterday from whom I have held more Friendship than the rest of the People to whom I am recommended; he told me that Bob had lodged a Credit of £ 50 or £ 60 with him for me and that I might command same whenever I think proper. He expressed a good deal of concern that it was not in his power to take me into his Counting House, and to apply to any of his acquaintance was needless, as he well knew that no such thing would place, as my getting into Business. He informed me that Bob had been of great service to his Brother in Carolina, & that nothing would have been more agreeable than to have served me had it been in his power; he desired me to come & see him frequently during my stay here. I have now seen a little of this City and am very fond of it; it is no wonder that the English have such an antipathy at Edinburgh when its compared with London, what a poor appearance it makes; this City is reckoned fifty times larger than Edinburgh yet every House here appears as it was in the Country--the most of the streets are lined up on each side with tall Lime Trees, which makes the town vastly agreeable at this season of the Year--there is another great happiness attends this City, and that is that every Family possesses one House from top to bottom, by which means the long stairs so disagreeable in Edinb. does not take place here, every house also has a little back yeard, which is commonly planted with Flowers with great Taste. Since I am informing you of the conveniences, I shall not omitt that there is no occasion for the Man in long robes who cries, whit hay, - me for a Bauble, as every house has its own appartms. for that purpose. Write me first opp.y & direct for me at Capt. Robertsons, Number 31 Bree Street. I find myself rather better since I came here, the feverishness is quite left me, neither is my Stomach so uneasy as when I left you, which last Circumstances I attribute to the London Porter, of which I now and then, take a large Toute. John Wilks has now got his Sentence, of which I need not inform you, as you will have seen it in the News Paper. I have heart at Change to-day, that he is pardoned, but suppose this piece of news is Premature. When you write me send your Letter to Mr. Hogg & desire him to forward it under cover, which will save the Postage. I beg my compliments to all Friends, and am ever,

(Complimentary close on following page.)

Letter of William Heriot to His Mother (Continued)

Dear Mama,

Your mo Ob Son,

(Signed) Will. Heriot
Saturday 5 o'clock afternoon.

(Original in possession of Miss Janet Heriot, 101 Lucy Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama.)

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Letter of William Heriot to His Mother

London 11th October 1768

Dear Mama:-

I am favoured with yours of 28th August, and 8th inst., the first along with the two pieces of my flute. I again beg you will not let that cursed affair grieve you so much, and as to anything John Cunningham may have wrote Bob, be assured I shall place you in the way your character deserves, so soon as I have the happiness of seeing him. Be assured my dear Mama, nothing on earth will ever remove my affection from you. Sooner shall I plunge a dagger into my bosom than forget the parent who has ever made it her only concern to do everything in her power for my welfare. I shall endeavor to write you every opportunity, which I assure you will give me pleasure, and hearing from you after will be my greatest happiness. Thomas Gray never called on me. I would have been glad to have seen him. I was down a jaunt in that part of the country where his brother stays about two months ago. There is little to be seen at Richmond, only the King's country house, which is nothing remarkable for its beauty, indeed the gardens about it are not fine, the tolerable, - but I am apt to think that people always conceive any of the King's apartments finer before than after seeing them. I went about fourteen miles farther than Richmond to another seat of the Royal Family called Windsor Castle, which indeed is worth seeing. I also had a day's ride in Windsor Forest, which was agreeable beyond expression. There is in particular one avenue six English miles long, it gradually ascends from heat to foot, so that when you first enter, you see the other end of it, so you may easily conceive what a grand prospect this is to a person who never seed such a think before, nor do I think it is to be seen in Europe. Monday evening the King of Denmark gave a grand masquerade ball, but as to the particulars I refer you to the newspapers. I am informed that three hundred and fifty guineas were paid the forenoon before the ball for three single tickets. Mama, how would this suit your purse? Indeed, I can't help thinking but that they for their diversion in the full sense of the word. The masquerade did not brake up till 10 o'clock next morning. The king of Denmark sets out for Paris tomorrow, forenoon.

Letter of William Heriot to His Mother (Continued)

I have taken my passage in the Union, Captain William Coombes, and I expect to get away by the end of the month. I shall write to Uncle (John) before I leave and to you also. I am greatly obliged to you for your wishes for my wellfare, and hope if its the Almighty's will to spare me, I will convince you of my affection. If my Uncle is still with you, make my compliments to him in the kindest manner. I beg also to be minded to Jock & Peggy, I am ever,

My Dear Mama,

Your ever affectionate son,

(Signed) Will Heriot.

(His brother John and wife Margaret Russell)

Letter of EDWARD THOMAS HERIOT to JOHN HERIOT BALLINGALL

Mont Arena on the Waccamaw River
Near Georgetown, South Carolina,
20th March, 1841. U. S. A.

Dear Friend:-

Your letter under date of 2nd February, had duly been received by me, and I am gratified at having an opportunity of getting information relative to my connections in Scotland. I have wished it and would have commenced a correspondence, had I known to whom to have written. I am the oldest son of the late Wm. Heriot, Esq., who died in 1807, aged 60 years, and I am with a wife and five children, living. My oldest child, Francis, is in his 16th year, and my youngest is 9 months old,--three sons and two daughters,--I lost a fine boy, who was called after me, last summer, in his 7th year. I have a brother called Wm. Francis, who lives with me, and has an interest in my agricultural business. I studied medicine, practised some years and am at this time a rice planter. Have been tolerably successful in my pursuits and am enabled to live comfortably, and upon my own plantation.

In the winding up of my Father's estate, as far as I have been informed, nothing remained of any consequence to be shared between William and myself. I was a minor when my father died, and I have never looked into the concerns of his estate, fearing that it would be both unprofitable and productive of difficulty with those who had the management of it. He sustained an elevated rank in society and was one of the leading men of his day in the public concerns of his community in which he lived, and I believe, died in their confidence. He was engaged in trade, in which he was concerned as far back as I can recollect, though I have understood that before my birth and during the lifetime of his first wife, that he was a planter, as we say in this country.

My Uncle, Colonel Robert Heriot, died leaving John Ouldfield, Robert, and Susan, having married Miss Ouldfield, by whom he got a considerable estate. John Ouldfield married Miss Kirkpatrick, having lived long a bachelor,--he had 7 or 8 children, Robert, Agnes, Mary, Susan, Davison, and John are living. Robert and Agnes are married. My cousin John was a thrifty cotton planter and died about four years ago, leaving a pretty little estate to be divided among his children. His wife, Martha Ann, died a year or two before him. His oldest son is likely to do well in the pursuit his father was engaged in.

My cousin Robert was bred in-law, married Maria, a daughter of George Heriot, who I believe was a cousin of my father, and had a very large family: Robert, George, James, Septimus, Daniel, Edgar, Caroline and Maria (with father and mother) are now living. Their most promising son, John Ouldfield, died a few years ago, just having commenced the practice of law. This old gentleman, Robert Heriot, has not been successful in pecuniary affairs as his brother John was, and is now living in Charleston.

My cousin Susan was a beautiful and accomplished young woman--she married Dr. Brownfield, a highly respectable and worthy man--with whom she lived happily for many years--she died five or six years ago quite advanced in years, leaving two sons, Robert and John, who with my good cousin, Susan, getting quite old and lame from a fall which injured her hip, live near Statesburg,

in this State, a healthy country, but not calculated for the accumulation of much money.

George Heriot left sons and daughters, some of whom married and have children, Benjamin Daniel is perhaps the most conspicuous and worthy of that branch, and I understand has a fine family. He has been living remote from me and I seldom see him,--his son I am informed is a remarkably promising young man, living in Charleston.

Roger Heriot, also residing in Charleston, I have had little acquaintance with him,--he must be quite old. Many years ago I think he was a clerk to George Heriot. I was then quite a boy. Since that time I have had but few opportunities to see him, and am not aware what relationship, (if any) exists. He has a large family (I believe) and sustains a very good standing. One of his sons who was bred a millwright, I have had to put up machinery on my place.

Our family is tolerably numerous with its connections, (if any exists) with George and Roger's descendants. With some trouble on my part to ascertain if the name existed anywhere else than in this State, I have not been able to find a solitary instance, and the nearest approximation to it was George Heriot who is said to have been, or is in Canada, whether or not a relation I am unable to say. I have thus attempted to give you a general account of our name out here, and from your former correspondent you may have already derived some of it. I shall appreciate every item of the information relative to my connections in your quarter of the World, and I trust that this is only the commencement of correspondence between us, which will not only afford to each the means of obtaining all that is so naturally desirable, but of suggesting a plan by which we may be better and more satisfactorily acquainted.

I remain, yours very sincerely,

(Signed) Edw. Thos. Heriot

To
John Heriot Ballingall,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

LETTER OF DR. EDWARD THOMAS HERIOT TO HIS SON, ROBERT STARK HERIOT

Adelphia, Liverpool, June 19, 1851

My dear Stark:-

I rec.d your letter when I was about leaving Charleston and had not leisure to acknowledge it. I now hasten to do so, and farther to say that we arrived here yesterday morning, having made the voyage from N. York in 10 days, 5 hours and 30 minutes. We had not such a voyage as might have been expected at this season of the year, for although not very boisterous, it was rough with strong winds, and ahead, for 3 days, - had it not been for this we might have done it in less time than any ship has ever crossed, but although from various circumstances we were annoyed, say rain, winds, fogs, icebergs, with the thermometer 42 degrees for days, yet upon the whole I would compound never to have it better, provided it could be guaranteed no worse.

The ship *Baltic*, in which we came is a noble specimen of Naval Architecture, and no doubt one of the longest and finest ships in the World, it would astonish you to see this immense mass moving at the rate of 15 miles per hour and in her saloon a splendor of workmanship that would adorn any Eastern Palace. I had no idea that so much money could be expended upon any one vessel, say \$670,000.00. The steam power cost \$175,000. I went to the very boilers to see the firemen and stokers. You may rest assured I felt very small and weak amidst the motion of such huge pieces of iron. I saw very little, if any difference in the fare on board the ship and at the Irvin house at New York, in some things it was better,--there was a regular bill of fare for every meal, with all the delicacies and substantials of life. Everything seemed to be at command but the wind and the waves, this ship I think over 300 ft. long and nearly 3,000 ton burden. There was nothing on the way of interest until we made the Irish coast, except the excitement & shouts and firing guns when we left New York, as we passed another big ship belonging to the same line which got in just to take our place in the dock to the great gratification of the owners.

The Irish coast is very fine, mountainous & very broken, and the Channel has some remarkable rocks with light houses. As you proceed you come into view of the Welsh coast on the other, a truly picturesque Country abounding in Mountains of immense height, 30 or 40 miles from the coast, and here and there the sea beating at the base of immense and lofty rocks. Molly Head Ruscar lighthouse, &c. After running up the bay some time, night came on, and tho we lost sight of the land yet the various light houses, light boats, &c. gave quite enough to look at until we got into the Mersey, when being between 11 and 12 the City and shipping all being lighted, was one of the most enchanted views I ever beheld, while as our noble ship was directed first to the right and then to the left to avoid some craft at anchor and in our way. This City looks antiquated. It is remarkable more for its trade than anything else. As yet I have been little out and shall care very little else to see than the docks,--this is a fine arrangement, affording great convenience and security to the shipping. Travellers take not much interest in this place, but the tubular bridge not very distant, is one of the wonders of the age. If you ever travel, which if you mind your eyes, as the saying is, you no doubt will, you will be struck with the great difference in size of things generally in the older country,--

the buildings and the horses, the cattle &c. if a cartman could be transferred with his vehicle and team, and drive a load over one of our paved Cities he would attract a crowd. You have no idea of the cart horses of this country, good for nothing else I presume. Your mother has been amusing herself looking at 10 milk cows, each one would make 3 of ours, and it would really be a pity for the Superintendent of Homespun Hall who is so well satisfied with the milk and better, and tell them I say I think deservedly so, as they so eclipse your mother to see these animals whereby the most undeniable of all truths would be interferred with, viz., that ignorance is bliss--On getting here I found three letters from our Scotch kin, written in a spirit of great kindness--they are certainly a remarkable people in respect to their sympathy for their blood. You would be pleased to see their letters, so expressive of the gratification they anticipate of meeting me. Even John Heriot, M. D., Surgeon of the 25th Regt. Horse Guards, writes me a letter of welcome and expresses his desire to meet me in London. I am not as yet determined upon our route. The great Industrial Exhibition has drawn so many people to the country that it is said here that 60,000 people attended a few days ago. I had no idea that being a contributor to the scheme would have given me any notoriety I mean of course in a small way, but so it is, and I am frequently addressed by strangers and asked questions. I presume it first was noticed in the ship and by them to others on shore here. I think caused my nomination as Chairman of a meeting of the passengers on board just before getting in. I was not prepared for this but I was willing to be appointed to represent So. Carolina, and which I did in the proceedings, to be sure they were very important, but no doubt gratifying to the officers of the splendid packet.

I have nothing of interest to write to you about. I will endeavor to give you a letter occasionally. I presume you will not complain of the promise when you recollect the golden rule. Make my best love to your Aunties and all friends. All letters must be directed to the care of Robert Hutcheson, Esq., Liverpool.

(Signed) EDW. THOS. HERIOT

NOTE: Dr. Heriot won a medal for the best rice, which he exhibited in the Industrial Exhibition.

LETTER OF DR. EDWARD THOMAS HERIOT TO HIS SON, ROBERT STARK HERIOT

Glasgow, September 11, 1851

My dear Stark:-

Your letter of the 19th August reached me yesterday, and as I presume you will be anxious for an answer, I reply at once, so as to have it ready for the first steamer.

You say that you are engaged to a young lady, Miss McRae of Alabama--of this matter I had some intimation from your Aunt Mary. Now my dear son, you write to ask my advice, and I would most cheerfully give it if I knew how to set about it, but you must, upon reflection see that you have asked what is impossible for me to do. How can I, over 3,000 miles from you, totally unacquainted with any of the circumstances of the case give any opinion whatever. It is evident that your letter has been written under great excitement and is as most letters of the kind, just as I very probably would have written under the same circumstances, therefore don't suppose that I am disposed to find any fault with it, nor would I have you to suppose that I desire to throw difficulties in your way,--far from it. I hope that you are assured that the first object I have in life is the happiness and well being of my children, and from this fact you will I trust, see the absolute necessity of my withholding any advice or expression of opinion in this matter until your mother and I return to America--at the same time stating that I have great confidence in you and from your statement have no reason to doubt that you may have bestowed your affections upon a very deserving lady and in a very respectable family, and that you may in time be blessed in the enjoyment of a family relationship with her.

I am desirous my dear son, not to do or say one word to hurt your feelings, or produce any unnecessary embarrassment, at a time when I know you must be sensitive and not in a condition to view matters with the coolest deliberation and soundest discretion.

You ask my aid and advice about the purchase of a plantation in Alabama,--you must my dear child think for a moment and see how your feelings have run into excess. When I use the word excess I mean that you have not allowed time for a sober and rational consideration of the preliminary matters as to how you are to be settled and employed in after life; but seem to infer that merely buying a plantation is to accomplish everything,--now this may be right or it may be wrong. I do not know who are your advisers,--they may or may not be competent to the task. I know nothing about cotton lands and if I ever _____ money to advance for a plantation, with my opportunities of judging of the matter, I don't see how I could. Of one thing you ought to be assured, that if my children would do as I did when a young man, live economically, they would at my death & perhaps before, have a much better chance than I had, but I very much fear that I shall never be able to get them to understand fully that my means are very small and that there are a good many to be provided for. I very much fear my dear Stark that you will not like this letter, but I never shirk from what I believe to be a duty & although I cannot advise you in any way, as I have before stated, touching things in which I am incompetent to do from a total ignorance of the whole matter, yet there is only one course & the only one left, which I do advise with great confidence to you;

and that is to take care of your collegiate duties & graduate,--after which I will do every thing in my power to advance your wishes. You say that this lady's father is wealthy. I am not & consequently you can't be. If you have made a good choice, however, I may regret your not having a profession before any step of this kind was taken, yet, I shall not blame you, and will on my return give you all the aid I can and feel great pride in receiving and cherishing a young lady upon whom you have been pleased to bestow your affections. I would farther advise you to enter into no arrangements or promises whatsoever as to the purchase of lands, negroes, or as to where will be your place of residence. I think it quite premature & unnecessary. Again, my dear Stark, let me beg of you to wait awhile,--don't be precipitate. We shall sail from Liverpool on the 15th of October for America. Your mother joins me in love to you and your Aunts.

Your affectionate father,

(Signed) EDW.-THOS. HERIOT

P. S.

Make your mother and my kind remembrances to your Aunts and say that in looking at the Wonders of the Old World I frequently think of them. OH! the gardens--no description is adequate to convey a proper idea of them. We expect to get the seed from a very large establishment at this place.

To R. Stark Heriot,
Columbia College, South Carolina,
United States America.

LETTER OF DR. EDWARD THOMAS HERIOT TO HIS SON, ROBERT STARK HERIOT

Woodland, November 15th 1852.

My dear Stark:-

Your letter was duly received informing me of your several disappointments--these things are very trying and often hard to bear, but we often find that what on the first view of matters appears to be unfortunate, afterwards seems most for our interest. The bad faith which has been exhibited towards you in a certain quarter, however sorry I am that it should have been manifested, is almost conclusive that you made a fortunate escape, and think you have pointed out the best course,--which is to try & forget what has passed, by making no allusion to it hereafter.

Your aunt Mary has got homesick, that the last two cold nights has induced her to pack up, bag and baggage, & she will be off in the boat which takes this letter. I have had no chance of writing ahead to make arrangements for some one to meet her on the steamer, and she will therefore have to be dependent on the gallantry of Mr. Motte Alston, who is to be a passenger with his family, and who has kindly offered his services. Your aunt Mary has written to your Uncle John, who is to be in the city to meet her, but I doubt if he will get the letter, and if he does he may be so engaged as to be unable to do so.--Not knowing whether you were in the city or not we would not communicate with you. Should you have left Sullivan's Island you will be able to call and see your Aunt. You will find her at Mr. Haynes' in Church Street, near South Bay. You must not visit at night until everything like fever has disappeared. We have had ice for two mornings last passed, and as soon as the City is cold enough to have the same, I presume it will soon become healthy.

We have nothing new to write to you about, the children are all improved, except poor little James, who has been sick again, and in a note just come from Birdfield, your sister mentions that he had a severe throat of Croup last night. I wish you would write us regularly, and let us know how you are. Your mother sends down your apron, but as I had no hand in the cutting or making, I don't know how it will answer.

All join in kind love to you,

Your affectionate father,

(Signed) ETW. THOS. HERIOT.

To Robert Stark Heriot
Charleston, South Carolina,
By Steamer Charleston.

LETTER OF G. W. BALLINGALL TO MISS JANET HERIOT

Jeephall, Ferry Road
Edinburgh, 25 February 1886.

My dear Miss Heriot:

When I receive a letter in an unknown handwriting, I generally before perusal, look at the signature, and as regards your letter I was surprised and may say gratified to find that the name was the same as that of my good deceased mother! It is certainly remarkable that descendants of a party who emigrated to South Carolina about 120 years ago should still be in correspondence with their relatives in the old country, and I dare say there are few who can say the same thing or a similar thing. As time moves on relatives become more remotely connected and there are now few descendants of the Castlemains Heriots in Scotland. It would seem as if the old soil had become barren and that the fruit is to be seen on the trees which were transplanted to South Carolina in the middle of the last century.

Since Dr. Heriot (Edward Thomas) (your grandfather) was here 35 years ago, three of the cousins whom he saw have died, viz: Mr. Cunningham, my mother (Janet Heriot), and my uncle, Dr. John Heriot. Mr. Cunningham's son who was a clergyman is also dead, but his sister Mrs. Cochrane is I understand alive, and I shall obtain her address. Indeed the only Heriots whom I know are one in New Castle-on-Tyne and a Mr. Heriot and his sister at Norham, near Berwick-on-Tweed. The former is a merchant and has been in New Castle only comparatively recently and is unmarried. I think he is descended from James, youngest son of George Heriot, Born 1636. The latter is a retired London merchant between 70 and 80 years of age and has at least a son & daughter (the latter married). His ancestors were farmers in Ladykirk near Norham, and John Heriot, Town Clerk of Haddington married about 1759 Miss Heriot of Ladykirk, who (it is said) was his cousin. John H. was the son of George H., grandson of G. H. b. 1636. Since I have touched on genealogy I may say that I am quite satisfied that G. H. b. 1636 was Chamberlain to Sir John Nisbet of Dirleton, and the first of the name who occupied the farm of Castlemains.--His father was Robert Heriot in Longuidry, and great grandfather, G. H. in Longuidry, the latter (as may be seen in the printed notes sent to Mrs. Sparkman), was a witness to several Deeds subscribed by Heriots of Trabroun, and therefore there can be no reasonable doubt he was a relative, but I fear the precise relationship may never be ascertained. Some have thought that G. H. b. 1636 was son of James H. half brother of G. H. Founder of Heriot's Hospital, but I shall send you soon my opinion of the latter and the reasons on which it is founded.

Now, as to your proposed visit to Scotland, I need scarcely say that all of our family will be delighted to see you. Indeed my sister in Newcastle (Mrs. McFarlan) has written me that she would be much pleased were you to consider her house your headquarters. My other sister now occupies a small house in the neighborhood of Glasgow, and we shall be glad if you stay with us for some time. We live plainly and quietly, but we shall make you welcome. If you come by steamer from Philadelphia or New York to Glasgow, we could meet you there. In 4 or 5 months hence I intend to leave Edinburgh to live with my sister. Glasgow is about 45 miles southwest of Edinburgh and about 1-1/2 hours travel by rail.

Mrs. McFarlan's address is:
 8 St. Thomas Square,
 Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

My other sister is Miss Ballingall,
 7 Grantley Street,
 Pollockshaws,
 Near Glasgow, Scotland.

Hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you soon, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) G. W. BALLINGALL.

P. S. The finest weather in Scotland is between the middle of June and middle of September.

I received Mrs. Sparkman's note enclosed in your letter. Please present my kind regards to her and the Dr. I wrote to her on the 11th inst. My sister, Mrs. McFarlan, intends to write to her very soon. At present my sister's health is pretty good.

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LETTER OF G. W. BALLINGALL TO MISS JANET HERIOT

8 Grantley Street, Shawlands
Glasgow, 28 February, 1887.

Dear Miss Heriot:-

My post card of the 18th would inform you that I had received your favor of the 15th inst. The chief reason for my not wishing you to write to Mrs. Sparkman regarding the photo of your ancestor (W. H.) portrait was that I thought when you got to Charleston, the matter would be managed with less trouble to her than by letter from you while in Europe. Do you know whether any of your Great grand Uncle Robert's descendants have a portrait of him, for if we I would like to get a photo of it. I have heard my mother say he was a fine looking man, and that at a ball a titled lady inquired who he was, and seemed to be interested in him. He sailed for Charleston via North of Scotland, and likely from Leith or Dunbar. The oldest letter from him which I have seen was dated in 1759, Stromness, Orkney, which is a place where vessels at that time going by the Northern passage on foreign voyage generally sailed. I remember of seeing a letter from your ancestor William, in which mention was made of Messrs. Falls, who were extensive merchants of Dunbar, and as my mother said that her Uncle Robert went to South Carolina as a supercargo, perhaps it was on behalf of the Messrs. Falls.

I have sent to you by this day's post a copy of the Will of James Heriot, father of your ancestor William, dated in 1760, with a codicil dated in 1762, both written by himself. He died in the end of December 1762.

The first time I was in Dirleton I was advised to call on an aged woman, a native of the place, as she might be able to give me some information regarding the Heriots, and she told me that she remembered the funeral of James Heriot. She also said that "he went to see Doctors in Edinburgh, and never came out of their hands."! This explained an (itemized) account which I saw, for a hearse and a saddled horse, from Edinburgh, which I thought strange, as his house was only about 150 yards from the Churchyard. I likewise remember of seeing the account of his medical attendant, which was almost composed of items for bleeding and blistering. Doctors nowadays do not take so much blood from their patients, as was done formerly, and I fear the good man got no benefit (to say the least), from the treatment he underwent. The old woman's name was Bathgate, and her father had been a workman on the farm. She likewise said to me that:--"auld James was a graw man and settled a (all) things." (Disputes &c), and I have heard my mother say that he was the first farmer in his neighborhood who kept a conveyance.

You will see from his will that he paid £ 2 to each of his sons, Robert and daughter Janet (Mrs. Cunningham) and he was possessed of £ 1,000 in Bonds, which I dare say would be as good as £ 2,000 at present. After persual of the Will, I think you will agree with me that the "cursed affair" alluded to in your ancestor William's letter of 1768, related to money matters. Indeed, I cannot imagine it would refer to anything else.

When I spoke to the old woman of your ancestor William she said "he went awa frae home" (away from Home). I think it was in the year 1842, '45

years ago) when I saw her and at that time she would likely be about 90 years of age. It is strange that I have spoken to a person who when a child must have been known to your ancestor James and his sons William and Robert and very likely spoken to by them. I likewise send you notes relating to George Heriot, born at Haddington in 1741 and to Roger and General Heriot, connected with the Heriots who were farmers in Ladykirk. It is a singular occurrence that the General nearly captured a Carolina Heriot. I suspect he was a son or descendant of Roger Heriot.

I see from the newspapers that there have been earthquakes in Italy, and your traveling plans may be altered. My sister sends kind regards, and thanks for the recipes, and with best wishes, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) G. W. Ballingall.

Note: George Heriot was born in 1746. He had an older brother, born in 1741 who died in 1742. The parents named the next son George, hence the confusion (Old Bible Record).

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of Roger and Catherine (Booth) HERIOT

V-1-2-3-1	George Born _____ Lost at Sea	Died _____
V-1-2-3-2	John Roger Born _____ Married _____ To Emelina Yates Born _____ With issue	Died _____ 1874 Died _____ 1880
V-1-2-3-3	William Booth Born _____ Married _____ To Catherine Yates Born _____ With issue	Died _____ 1875 Died _____ 1880
V-1-2-3-4	Emma Catherine Born January 12 Married May 6, 1824, Charleston, S. C. to Rev. Adiel Sherwood, (Baptist Devine) Born October 3, 1791 (Fort Edward, N. Y.) Died August 19, 1879 (St. Louis, Mo.) With issue	Died February 13 1883 (St. Louis)
V-1-2-3-5	Mary Elizabeth Born _____	Died _____ 1873
V-1-2-3-6	Sarah Margaret Born _____ Married _____ To Charles Merrick Born _____	Died _____ Died _____
V-1-2-3-7	Louisa Sophia Born _____	Died _____ 1838
V-1-2-3-8	Octavius Booth Born _____ Married _____ To Decima Yates Born _____	Died _____ Died _____
V-1-2-3-9	Julia Isabella Born _____	Died _____ 1835
V-1-2-3-10	Edward George Born _____ Married _____ To (No issue)	Died _____ 1872

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of John Roger and Emelina (Yates) HERIOT

V-1-2-3-2-1	John William		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____	To _____	
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-2-2	George		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____	To _____	
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-2-3	Elizabeth		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____	To _____	
	Born _____	Died _____	

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Children of William B. and Catherine (Yates) HERIOT

V-1-2-3-3-1	John Roger		
	Born _____	Died _____	1878
	Married _____	To _____	
	_____	Stewart	
	Born _____	Died _____	
	With issue		
V-1-2-3-3-2	Basil Manly		
	Born _____	Died _____	1874
	Married _____	To _____	
	Laura Viola Sherwood		
	Born _____	Died _____	1886
	(3 Children, all died young)		
V-1-2-3-3-3	Emma Sarah		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____		
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-3-4	Sarah		
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-3-5	Agnes Burgiss		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____		
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-3-6	Annie		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____	Clancy	
	Born _____	Died _____	
	With issue		

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of Emma Heriot and Husband, Reverend Adiel SHERWOOD

SHERWOOD

V-1-2-3-4-1	Sarah Louisa		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____	To _____	
	Egbert Dodge		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	With issue		
V-1-2-3-4-2	George Heriot		
	Born _____	Died _____	1853
V-1-2-3-4-3	Thomas Adiel, Chief Justice	Supreme Court, Missouri	
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____	To _____	
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-4-4	Catherine		
	Born _____	Died _____	1888
V-1-2-3-4-5	Julia Sophia		
	Born _____	Died _____	1896
V-1-2-3-4-6	Laura Viola		
	Born _____	Died _____	1886
	Married _____	To _____	
	Basil Manly Heriot (1st Cousin)		
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-4-7	Mary Rosalie		
	Born _____	Died _____	
	Married _____	To _____	Parr
	Born _____	Died _____	
V-1-2-3-4-8	William Early		
	Born _____	Died _____	1865

DESCENDANTS OF ROGER HERIOT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Children of John Roger and _____ (Stewart) HERIOT

V-1-2-3-3-1-1 Stewart
 Born _____ Died _____
 Married _____ To _____
 Born _____ Died _____

V-1-2-3-3-1-2 Ada
 Born _____ Died _____
 Married _____ To _____
 Born _____ Died _____

V-1-2-3-3-1-3 Lillian
 Born _____
 Married _____
 Born _____

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Children of Annie Heriot and Husband, _____ CLANCY

CLANCY

V-1-2-3-3-6-1 Lockwood
 Born _____
 Married _____
 Born _____

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Children of Sarah M. Heriot and Husband, Charles MERRICK

MERRICK

V-1-2-3-7-1 Mercy
 Born _____ Died _____
 Married _____ Born _____ Died _____

V-1-2-3-7-2 Emma
 Born _____ Died _____
 Married _____ Born _____ Died _____

V-1-2-3-7-3 Amelia Reed
 Born _____ Died _____
 Married _____ Born _____ Died _____

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Children of Octavius Booth and Decima (Yates) HERIOT

HERIOT

V-1-2-3-8-1 Octavius
 Born _____